

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

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TO: ALL IV-D DIRECTORS
ALL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

SUBJECT: Child Support Aggregates for Fiscal Year 2000-2001

Attached is a matrix identifying child-related group home cost aggregates, by Rate Classification Level (RCL), for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000-2001. In the past, these rates were used to determine an appropriate child support obligation based on the cost to maintain a child in foster care. Since the adoption of the statewide uniform child support guidelines set forth in Family Code Sections 4055 and 4056, this rate information is no longer used for that purpose. However, this rate information (specifically column 6, Child Support Reimbursement Aggregate) may be useful when child support collected exceeds the monthly foster care cost and excess or pass-on in federally eligible cases needs to be determined. This information was prepared by the Foster Care Rates Bureau and is based on calendar year 1998 actual cost data reported by group home providers during FY 1999-2000. The following methodology was used in developing the aggregates:

The total child-related costs (for all programs by RCL) is compared to the total program costs to determine the percentage of child-related costs. For each RCL, this percentage is multiplied by the standard rate to determine the child support reimbursement aggregate. Another way of expressing this formula is:

$$\text{Child-related costs} / \text{total program costs} = \%$$
$$\% \times \text{standard rate} = \text{child support reimbursement aggregate}$$

This is the same methodology used to develop the aggregates that has been followed in prior years.

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Reason for this Transmittal

- ☐ State Law or Regulation Change
- ☐ Federal Law or Regulation Change
- ☐ Court Order or Settlement Change
- ☐ Clarification requested by One or More Counties
- ☒ Initiated by DCSS



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Any questions regarding the attached aggregates should be directed to Ruth Pinkham, with the Foster Care Rates Bureau, at (916) 327-9059. Any questions regarding the collection of child support resulting from foster care placements should be directed to Audrey King at (916) 464-5231 or by email at audrey.king@dcss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Child Support Services Division

CHILD SUPPORT AGGREGATES BY RCL
FY 2000-2001
 (Calendar Year 1998 Costs)

RCL	Standard Rate (as of 7/1/00)	Total Child- Related Costs	Total Group Home Program Costs	Child-Related Percent to Total Program Costs	Child Support Reimbursement Aggregate
1	\$1,353	\$23,008	\$36,819	62.49%	\$845
2	\$1,691	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A
3	\$2,026	\$472,625	\$694,586	68.04%	\$1,379
4	\$2,364	\$1,849,712	\$2,613,314	70.78%	\$1,673
5	\$2,699	\$8,433,370	\$14,467,751	58.29%	\$1,573
6	\$3,036	\$2,547,903	\$3,982,688	63.97%	\$1,942
7	\$3,374	\$9,683,388	\$15,116,901	64.06%	\$2,161
8	\$3,711	\$20,168,524	\$31,661,812	63.70%	\$2,364
9	\$4,047	\$37,418,127	\$57,876,014	64.65%	\$2,616
10	\$4,384	\$49,117,834	\$74,936,449	65.55%	\$2,874
11	\$4,720	\$43,188,714	\$66,858,147	64.60%	\$3,049
12	\$5,057	\$146,693,857	\$234,105,031	62.66%	\$3,169
13	\$5,397	\$15,241,472	\$23,709,408	64.28%	\$3,469
14	\$5,732	\$45,705,348	\$65,045,711	70.27%	\$4,028